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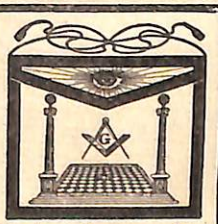

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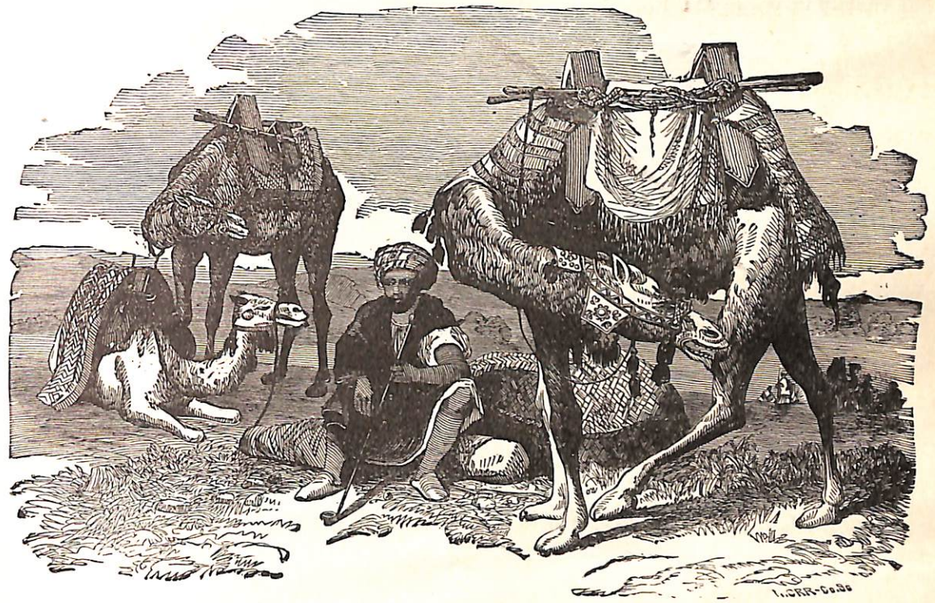

THE CARAVAN RESTING.

THE TRIBES ARE MOVING.

This is the month of the beginning of the great pilgrimage of the Imperial Council—"toward the setting sun." The Imperial Divan will leave the far eastern border of the Domain on May 31, and from that moment prayer rugs will be spread nightly far across the desert as the "Muezzin drones." While there are diversified routes of travel, all seem bent on having a look at Denver, and Colorado Springs enroute. From here everything goes over the scenic Denver & Rio Grande to Salt Lake City and from thence on to San Francisco over the Southern Pacific railway.

Every Caravan is booked for Los Angeles and then away north over the "Shasta Route" to Portland, Oregon. From there practically all travel over the Northern Pacific railway to Seattle, Tacoma and then eastward to Yellow Stone Park and homeward. Such terms and stopovers were never offered tourists as they get this month and June.

Among the Lodges.

We are exceedingly sorry to chronicle the illness of P. G. M. Geo. B. Van Saun, who for so long has been the Custodian of the work in Iowa. It is likely that a long vacation will be given him at Grand Lodge at Dubuque.

When it can be proven that a brother goes about the streets urging members of this lodge to be present to vote against a candidate for affiliation, it is high time that that man is taught his place. We know this to be true, and will publish the fellow's name unless a remedy comes from another source.

The craft in Lake Mills keeps at labor. Among its ranks are the leading business men. It was our pleasure to greet Bros. Ole Scar and Nelson.

Masonically, Bro. Winfield Scott Schley does not seem to have suffered any in his relations to his brothers—since at Memphis, Tenn., on April 27th, thousands waited, an hour late, for his arrival merely to get a glimpse of him.

P. G. M. Bun F. Price, of Memphis, Tenn., had the uncommon privilege of raising his own son to the sublime degree of a Master Mason recently. So mote it be.

GRAND LODGE OF IOWA.

Ere another number of this journal shall appear this most important body in Iowa Masonry will have met in Dubuque. We are sorry that other duties take us away at that time, but we nonetheless feel a deep interest in its work. Good judgment will dictate the sensible selection of Bro. N. R. Parvin to succeed his venerable father, whose work he did and did well for the past five years.

Some appreciation of the fact that we, an individual, have now to compete with the Grand Lodge in a measure to keep up this publication, and that such has been our course for nine years past, and we think it time to confine the publication of the official organ to its legitimate sphere—if its services are needed at all. We carry the burden of a small paper alone, and the great Grand Lodge of Iowa ought hardly come into the field as a competitor for business. That's said without a wish or a care to influence the will of our brothers.

ROYAL GORGE.

The Grand Lodge may well begin to consider the advantages of a Masonic Home rather than the present method of administering its charity.

May all our brothers be blessed with peace and harmony.

KEEP MASONRY APART.

One day an ex-professional man calls with a mining scheme which he is enabled to get into your private place by having met you at some Masonic function. On another day its a man with oil in his voice, whom Brother, Sir Knight, Noble, or Prince somebody introduced to you—by request—and this is the result. Yet another case catches up with you at the funeral where a brother is being laid away and beside you in the procession walks the Florida-Alabama-California orange grove climate dispenser. Now, all this convinces us that it is high time to keep Masonry apart from the secular schemes that are sapping its patience and making its glorious mysteries a sought-for stepping stone to commercial advantage. Talk about chasing after "higher" degrees even across the desert into the Shrine—we can be tolerant toward any of these, but save us from the other grafters. Keep Masonry apart.

The Royal Arch.

At Mason City the Chapter has plenty to do and material constantly being developed.

Under the direction of High Priest Boutin the Chapter at Hampton has three trios in course of exaltation.

Bower Lodge No. 464, Eagle Grove, Iowa, is steadily growing and is one of the strong lodges in this part of the state.

Eagle Chapter No. 114, O. E. S., of Eagle Grove, now numbers about one hundred members and has received petitions at almost every regular meeting for the past year.

EDITOR FREEMASON AND FEZ:

This has been a very prosperous winter for Royal Arch Masonry in Eagle Grove, Iowa. On Monday, April 14th, three Most Excellent Masters were exalted, it being the third "team" to receive the degree this winter.

On the following evening the members of Eagle Grove Chapter No. 123, R. A. M., gave a reception to their wives and sisters. The banquet, which was prepared under the direction of the ladies of the Eastern Star, was indeed a feast fit for the gods.

This was followed by the following excellent musical program:

Selection ——— ORCHESTRA.

Trombone — "Sweetest Story Ever Told" ——— *Stults.*
H. L. BROWN.

Vocal Solo { "May Time" ——— *Dudley Buck.* / "Awake" ——— *Pelissier.*
MRS. HARDIN.

Flute Solo—Intermezzo ——— *Mascagni.*
C. A. EADIE.

Violin Solo—"Romance Sans Parole" ——— *Thoma.*
ALBERT DANDO.

Vocal Solo—"Revelation" ——— *Egener.*
L. P. EVERSZ.

Selection ——— ORCHESTRA

Commanderies.

At Cedar Falls the Commandery had work in the Red Cross lately.

And now the inspectors are about their laborious duties while the crucifiction of the Fratre who has not tried his coat on since the last triennial is on.

We acknowledge an invitation to attend, with Apollo Commandery of this city, their Ascension Day. For unavoidable reasons the work on Friday evening, May 9, was not done by the Past Commanders. This long-time custom was one well worth continuing.

ROOMS AT TEMPLAR PARK.

Grand Generalissimo Flanagan serves notice that rooms for this season at Templar Park must be paid for according to regulations before June 1, 1902. This is getting to be an important matter, as the rooms are getting to be few that are not taken, especially for the four days of festal week, July 8-15, 1902.

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BARGAIN DATES

THE FREEMASON AND FEZ wants to figure in this bargain day business a little too. We are going to CUT HALF PRICE RATES like this. To any new or old subscribers not now indebted for subscriptions we will send this journal

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ONE DOLLAR for THREE YEARS

We sorrow for the bereavement of Sister Nettie Ransford of the "Eastern Star," whose husband Bro. Wm. P. Ransford, passed away March 18, 1902.

It is our pleasure so receive an invitation to the golden wedding of Noble (Dad) William Ryan and wife of Louisville, Ky. The officers and members of El Kahir were included in the invitation. Long may these noble and delightful people live.

We do not see where the *Five Points of Fellowship* gets its information from, that Bro. F. Price had discontinued *Shibboleth*, as we have the April number before us.

In a recent copy of the Osage News we have a fine cut of the new "Cleveland Hotel" now being erected by our Grand Noble By. M. Cleveland and his sisters in that city.

One of our Nobles (El Kahir) was at Charleston, April 3, 1902, with Oasis Temple, but we fail to find his name (or his mark) except these lines on the notice: "Your humble servant, the only representative at this meeting from El-Kahir."

If anybody wants to discover the true successor to Nasby—better than any dead editor anyhow—he wants to chip a plunk-and-a-half to E. A. Bailey & Son, Britt, Iowa, for the "Tribune" One of Noble B's articles appear in this number but his description of the stereopticon show of King Solomon's Temple, in the "Tribune" of April 10, is a side splitter.

NON-AFFILIATION LAWS.

New York: "Any brother who shall remain a non-affiliated Mason within this jurisdiction one year or more shall not be allowed to visit any lodge, or join in a Masonic procession, nor be entitled to receive Masonic relief or burial."

Connecticut: "It shall be the duty of every Mason residing within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge to be in membership with some regular lodge; and no non-affiliated Mason belonging to this or any jurisdiction, shall be entitled to visit any lodge more than three times, or to receive any of the benefits or privileges of the order in this State, except relief in actual distress."

Nebraska: "A Freemason non-affiliated for one year has no Masonic rights whatever in Nebraska, excepting only the right to petition for membership in a chartered lodge."

Maryland: "No Master Mason, residing within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, and not an affiliated member of some subordinate lodge, shall be allowed to visit a lodge, without invitation from the master."

Oregon: "All non-affiliated Masons in this grand jurisdiction shall have the privilege of visiting lodges for six months; but such non-affiliates shall petition some lodge within thirty days thereafter for membership, and if rejected, shall contribute to some chartered lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction its regular dues, and in case of non-compliance shall be debarred from all Masonic rights and privileges as follows: First—They shall not be allowed to visit any lodge. Second—They shall not be allowed to appear in any Masonic procession. Third—They shall not be entitled to Masonic burial. Fourth—They shall not be entitled to Masonic charity.—*Trestle Board.*

In West Virginia, non-affiliates have no rights or privileges whatever. A member who takes a Dimit, is entitled to all the rights and privileges for twelve months, after that he is denied every right and remains in that condition until he deposits the Dimit and becomes a contributing member of some lodge. Non-affiliates from other grand jurisdictions are denied the same rights and privileges, in fact, if no one could vouch for them, they could not visit a lodge, because in the first place they could not subscribe to the Tylers oath. The law as to non-affiliates in West Virginia is a good one, as it enforces membership.—*Mystic Tie.*

In Iowa: A non-affiliate has the right of petitioning for affiliation and at the discretion of the Master, may visit any lodge at either stated, called or festival meetings, if not prohibited by law, (?) at any time within one year after the date of his dimission, or within one year after becoming a resident of a local jurisdiction, but not thereafter, unless he desires to visit a lodge for the purpose of exemplifying the work as required by Sec. 7, Art. XII of the Constitution, in which case he shall be admitted. He shall, after one year from the date of his dimit, have no other claim upon Masonic charity than have the needy and deserving who are not and never have been Masons, nor be permitted to walk in Masonic processions, etc.

The Eastern Star.

Lake Mills, Iowa, is good ground for the Stars to shine on.

THE COLLEGIATE RANGE.

Sister Jennie E. Mathews, of Rockford, Iowa, has been appointed representative of Iowa O. E. S. for the World's Fair Fraternal Building Association for the St. Louis Exposition. It is a well selected appointment.

WEBSTER CITY, IA., April 24, 1902.

J. W. GEIGER,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I was requested to send you a few lines in regard to the meeting held by Waterloo Chapter on April 16th, but not knowing how much space I may be privileged to occupy I send a paper and hope your secretaries will be able to spare the time and take a few gleanings from the description. I understand that you were expected and

seemed greatly disappointed at your non-arrival.

The Order in Iowa is prospering very nicely. "Vernon" Chapter at Mount Vernon was instituted April 18th. Mrs. Gillilland, W. M., William Wilcox, W. P., and Miss Willix, Secretary. They have the prospects of becoming a very promising Chapter, and seemed to have been greatly interested in the work of the Order. I had the pleasure of instituting the Chapter and had the assistance of Sister Allena Ward, Associate Grand Conductress.

April 22nd a Chapter was instituted by Sister Jane Webber, Associate Grand Matron, at Little Sioux. This makes altogether fourteen new Chapters organized so far.

With fraternal regards, I remain, yours, FREDA OPPENHEIMER,
Grand Matron.

A happy and beneficial night among the Stars was what was voted to Waterloo Chapter 128 on Wednesday evening the

COLORADO SPRINGS.

16th. It was the largest and most interesting meeting ever held in the state aside from the yearly Grand Chapter meeting. This new and beautiful Temple was filled to overflowing, barely leaving room for the regular work and initiation. Over three hundred responded to the invitation. There were no regrets for the evening, but there may have been a few after hearing of the wonderful success of the meeting and the social happy time enjoyed by every one present. The work was done in a very pleasing manner. The officers, all beautifully gowned in white, the Chapter room redolent with perfume and bloom of roses and carnations and ferns. The Sedgwich stereoptican views and lectures, given in addition to the regular work, interspersed with appropriate and well rendered songs. The Holy City, sung by Mrs. S. F. Morrison, was fine and added much to the impressiveness of the views. After the work refreshments were served in the banquet room, which was in harmony with all of the evening's work. It was beautiful and keenly relished by all. There were present the Grand Patron, W. H. Wray, of Oskaloosa; Grand Matron, Freda Oppenheimer, of Webster City; Alena Ward, Associate Grand Conductor, of Eldora; Eva Silliman, Grand Marshal, of Colo; Elizabeth Stewart, Grand Electa, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Eva Holt, District Deputy, who is the Matron of Waterloo Chapter, and to her, no doubt, belongs the honor of the meeting. Sister Jennie E. Mathews, P. G. M., also Past Most Worthy G. M., more familiarly known as Grand Mother of the Order in Iowa, and to her belongs the honor of organizing the Grand Chapter of Iowa, which she is proud of. There were seventeen Chapters present in part or whole. We would like to give the names of Chapters and of members present were it possible, but feel it would take too much time and space. After refreshments order was resumed and a feast of reason and a flow of soul was indulged in until the lateness of the hour forbade a further

continuance. Each Matron present responded to the call and a few words for the Chapter and the Order, and the pleasure and benefit they had received from the meeting. Grand Patron Wray responded to the address of welcome in a very pleasing manner. Sister Oppenheimer, in her sprightly way, of the love she bore for the Order and the progress it was meeting. Sister Mathews had many suggestions and ideas which she presented and said how happy she was to meet with them, saying "she builded better than she knew when she organized the Grand Chapter of Iowa," and said the present gathering had fully convinced her that it was possible to hold district meetings for instruction. A system she felt would be of more value to the Grand Chapter and the Order than the present system of District Deputy Grand Matron, and she hoped to see the system established at next Grand Chapter. There is much more could be told of this gathering but space forbids. Suffice to say it will long remain in the minds and hearts of all present as a red letter time. M.

Fidelity Chapter, No. 42, of Rockford, is having a very successful and pleasant year's work. The beginning of the year Mrs. Brown, Worthy Matron, laid out a program which has been carried out with great benefit to the Chapter, the result being candidates at nearly every meeting. Fidelity keeps up the regular standard of the work. Its members are faithful and interested. Two petitions were secured

SUTTON MOUNTAIN.

Friday the 18th April being the night for their 6:30 supper, brought out nearly all the members, after which the regular meeting of the Chapter opened in regular form. Two candidates were initiated in a very pleasing manner with hardly a mistake. Several of the offices were filled pro tem, owing to sickness of the regular officers, yet no rituals were used. besides other work. The W. M. told of the good time and instructive meeting at Waterloo the 16th. Sister Mathews offered many good suggestions and spoke in praise of the Waterloo meeting, and said it proved conclusive that the district conventions for instructions would be far more beneficial than the Deputy Matron system of visitation, and she hoped the meeting might bring it about by the next Grand Chapter meeting. She believed it to be for the best interest of the Order. Sister Mathews then read the circular from the World's Fair Fraternal Building Association from St. Louis, and her appointment on the Committee on Ways and means, and desired that her home Chapaer be the first to contribute to the fund, asking all who were

willing to contribute 5 cents. The response was unanimous, and the Iowa Fund was was established. Sister Mathews thanked them and hoped each Chapter would respond as freely and willingly. If so, Iowa would maintain her reputation for all that promotes and builds up the Order. M.

"OUR PURPOSE."

Under this head Bro. Alonzo J. Burton writes for *The Eastern Star* in its March issue. Able as is the article it is open to the usual criticism of theoretics. The Order of the Eastern Star is as much an integral part of the Masonic Institution as the Council, the Chapter, the Commandery or the Scottish Rite—all attachments, after developments, speculative growths and yet needful to the perfection of different classes of workmen. Whatever may be said of the advantages of the masculine landmarks in Masonry as to its past—"for behold the former things are passed away and all things have become new," today the women in Masonry have become a fixed individuality—barred by no doctrinal peculiariarity from participation in its most sacred mysteries. Hers is a ceremonial disqualification and should future years continue to indicate as great changes as the past, we'll not be surprised to see "the cause removed," and the sisterhood welcomed to the very altar of the craft.

The Mystic Shrine.

This journal is sent for the next month to every Recorder in the Order, for which there is no charge. Any interest they may take will be appreciated.
JNO. WESTLEY GEIGER, Editor.

Islam Temple graciously offers us a free sitting for out portrait at Haberricht's gallery, San Francisco.

Kaaba went to Fort Madison by steamboat April 29, 1902, and they say that there was a great time enjoyed by all hands. It was a jolly trip. They go to Creston on May 16th for a big class.

THE MYSTIC SHRINE AT MASON CITY.

The Camel Driving, Sandaled Dervishes Howled in Mason City April 9th—
E. N. Bailey, Candidate.
The Shriners.

Friday night, April 9th, the Shriners of Cedar Rapids met at Mason City to give some of the boys a camel ride. They were headed by Johnson Westinghouse Geigerson, chief epidermis remover, with a coterie of assistants. The head vertibrae disconnector called the meeting to order and the performance begun. The victims were properly skewered and served on red hot platters after having their eyes filled with red pepper and being first frozen solid so that baking wouldn't disintegrate them. The right hand liver twister and the left thorax renovator handled their parts with great delicacy and tact, but the femur buster was a little off that night, and the head chyme filterer was a bungler and no good at all. He was an equine renovator by trade and didn't know how to handle animals without "gambrels." The animus of the Shrine is all right. It is elevating in a high degree it its tendencies, prolix in its elaboration and superabundant in its idiosyncracies. There is a decisive immensity to the iridescence of the perspicuity that renders the voluminosity exceedingly realistic to the student of nature or art. The head lung warper is an artist in his profession and a descendant of one of those old families of the Spanish inquisition. Even the coat of arms of the family is suggestive of pastoral pursuits and genius. It is a bleating lamb being kicked into a red hot harrow by a mule. This worthy descendant of those old scions of hades is worthy of his patronymic and received many high encomiums for the thoroughness and refined diabolism of his operations. The kidney grinder is also a man far above modiocrity, born of poor but honest parents he is a plebeian in his natural propensities but association has brought him out of the darkness of superstition and ignorance and modern science added to quick perceptive faculties makes him quite an artist in his specialties and he is not so far behind his patrician coadjutor after all. These principles re-inforced by a couple of dozen supernumeraries comprised of the Cedar Rapids contingent. They were all picked men, raised for their several positions and especially qualified for their various places. The seven imported galley slaves also deserve special mention. These were originally employes in a sausage factory and were fed on fresh blood until they attained their majority, then raw meat for a couple of years when their teeth were filed, steel spurs made for their fingers and they are caged with two tigers to each man for 90 days previous to each meeting of the Shrine for work. This makes them tough and wiry, and insures rapid and efficient service. El Kahir is fortunate in its selection of a work team, and the tyro or neophyte can be assured that nothing will be left undone to insure the recollection of the event of his joining the order having an abiding place in memory so long as he remains on this mundane sphere.—*Britt Tribune.*

THE IOWA TEMPLE LINES.

At the coming Imperial Council session, through the efforts of the Des Moines Nobles, the matter of a division of the state between the three Temples will come up. As an individual and not as one of the representatives, and without prejudice toward anyone, we believe that the only way to stop the spirit that now rends us all over Iowa, is to settle each Temple into its own share of territory, then there can be no encouragement for the claim that one Temple does this and another that. For a body composed of Knights Templar and Princes of Jerusalem, the spectacle of "installment plan" methods and the personalities claimed to be bandied around, gives an air of lowness that can only have one ultimate result. With the hue and cry either way we have nothing to do. If a weak man tries to fly higher than he can roost his cadaver will be found in due time at the foot of the tree. A strong man needs no puny methods to help him onward and upward. There is room enough in Iowa for all the Temples we now have, and if the need ever comes for all we'll ever have. Now let the Imperial Council decide it wisely and finally.

IMPERIAL COUNCIL PROGRAM SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Hegira of 1902.

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 1902.

The visiting Nobles, doubtless tired and travel stained, will be shown into their hotels and permitted to rest.

TUESDAY, JUNE 10TH.

Meeting of the Imperial Council at Golden Gate Hall, 626 Sutter street, at 10 A. M.

Reception to the ladies accompanying the pilgrimage, Lick House, 3:30 P. M. to 6 P. M.

8:30 P. M., Grand Parade, Fireworks, etc.

WEDNSDAY, JUNE 11TH.

Al Malaikah Temple, Los Angeles' Day. The Nobles in charge will entertain royally from 1:30 P. M. to 6 P. M. 8:00 P. M. Grand Promenade Concert, Mechanics' Pavilion.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12TH.

9:30 A. M.—Drive and Lunch. To the Presido, Park, Cliff House and China Town.

2:00 P. M.—Patrol Drill.

8:00 P. M.—Reception and Concert. Pavilion.

FRIDAY, JUNE 13TH.

2:00 P. M.—Arab Patrol, Prize Drill Sixteenth and Folsom streets.

Evening—Grand Ball and distributing of prizes.

SATURDAY, JUNE 14TH.

9:30 A. M.—Around the Bay.

8:00 P. M.—Banquet to the Imperial Council and their ladies.

This program is gotten up beautifully illustrated and will be sent on application to any who wish a copy.

TRIP TO SAN FRARCISCO.

El Kahir Itinerary.

El Kahir Temple will conduct a class across the desert June 2d, after which they leave for San Francisco. Here is their itinerary:

Monday night June 2d, leave Cedar Rapids.

Tuesday, 3d, Des Moines 8:35 a. m., Omaha, 1:25 noon. Here Zehrah will join us. Leave at 4:00 p. m., special, to Lincoln, where Sesostris joins.

The Flying Caravan. Off in a bunch.

Wednesday, 4th, arrive Denver, 7:45 a. m. All who wish can go to Colorado Springs. Leave Denver 9:30 p. m., arrive Colorado Springs 11:30 p. m.

Thursday, 5th, leave Colorado Springs 10:29 a. m. Via. the D. & R. G. Ry.

Friday, 6th, arrive Salt Lake City. Sightseeing until 10:59 p. m., when we leave for Ogden, and thence over the Southern Pacific Ry.

Sunday, 8th, 8:25 a. m. arrive San Francisco.
Thursday, 12th, 8:00 a. m., leave for Los Angeles via the Southern Pacific Ry., arrive 10:45 p. m.
Sunday, 15th, leave 5:00 p. m., same line, arrive in San Francisco 9:00 a. m. 16th.
Monday, 16th, leave 5:00 p. m , "Shasta Route," for Portland, arrive 18th, 7:45 a. m.
From Portland to Seattle, Tacoma, up Puget Sound and various points on the homeward trip, including Yellowstone Park, the Northern Pacific will be the official northern line.

Rate: Southern Route (B., C. R. & N., Rock Island, D. & R. G. and Southern Pacific), **$48.00.** For the Northern Route, return trip (S. P., N. P, and starting lines south of St. Paul) **$61.00.** Sleeper extra. For further information on this subject, write John W. Geiger, Recorder, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Fraternities.

In the case of Mrs. Jesse Kerr, of Manilla, Iowa, against the M. W. A., for the collection of $3,000, Judge McPherson, federal court, ruled in favor of the order. Suicide.

LODGE GOAT IS SHOWN IN COURT.

Used as Evidence in Suit Brought for Damages.

COLUMBIA, S. C , April 26 —The trial of the suit of Samuel W. Mitchell against Sovereign Camp, Woodmen of the World, for $25,000 for injuries received while "riding the goat" at his initiation, Mitchell told of the injuries received.

The production in court of the offending "Billy" was the sign for merriment that had to be checked by the doorkeepers. The goat was mounted on wheels with a powerful spring mechanism operated by a handle in the rear of the seat on which the man to be initiated sat. The counsel for Mitchell tried to operate it, but could not. Then the defendants volunteered their services, and one occupied the goat. The goat "bucked" and judge, lawyers and spectators laughed heartily.

The Rev. J. L. Oats testified for the defense and said he had helped initiate Mitchell and had walked by his side when the goat pitched him over his head. Attendants had caught Mitchell and he landed on his feet. Mitchell said he was hurt, got angry and wanted to fight.

Just before being thrown Mitchell was laughing and told the goat to "get up," and it did so. Mr. Oats said he had ridden the goat and others testified to taking the same exercise.

Mitchell used strong language toward Dr. Ward, who testified that he had been injured by an attack of fever. The judge admonished him. There was then a good deal of medical testimony introduced relative to the condition of Mrtchell and the effect the goat ride had upon him.

WHAT MAKES THE NEED.

The question: "What, in your opinion, makes the necessity in these times for the fraternal institution?" We found that our answer would have to include several statements to do justice to the question, so we answer:

1. We came into a condition of facts, not theories, and found social relations changed from the times when the church had the ascendant authority in both religious and secular things.

2. We must adapt ourselves to facts and a fact patent to all is that fraternalism is a widespread influence today.

3. No such material benefit could be reached or administered by the state or by the church—each having their sphere —as the fraternal institution administers.

4. Our growth socially into the present state, by which we come to delegate the office of systematic beneficence to the lodge and with less difficulty get the results through the fraternal institution.

THE CHICKENS COME HOME TO ROOST.

John A. Hinsey, former head of the insurance department of the Knights of Pythias, has been acquitted of the charge of misappropriation of funds by past chancellors of the interdomain lodge, who heard the evidence against him. Hinsey's attorneys said that suit for $100,000 would be begun against Ogden H. Fethers, supreme chancellor.—R. H.

The heroics of the supreme chancellor as displayed at the Grand Lodge of Iowa last year may bear fruit. He said, with uplifted, clenched fist, "There will be no compromise this side of the grave." Sauce for Ogden may be juice for John.

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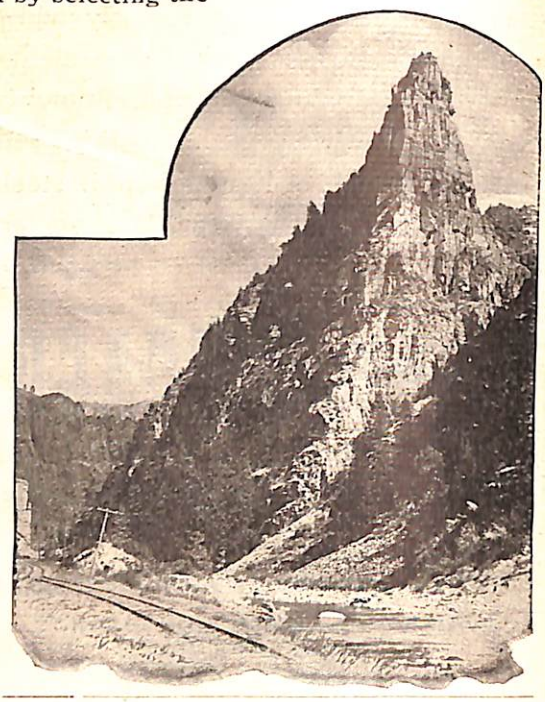

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